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Dear Sir:

In accordance with Applicant's continued duty of disclosure, the following documents are brought to the Examiner's attention:

- (1) DE Patent No. 101 14 228;
- (2) JP Patent No. 60040217;
- (3) DE Patent No. 197 09 609;
- (4) JP Patent No. 59-210333; and
- (5) EP Patent No. 0 546 786.

A listing on Form PTO-1449 is enclosed along with a copy of the non-U.S. documents.

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Respectfully submitted,

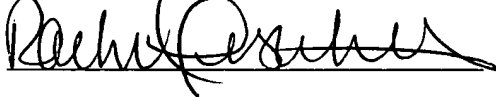
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